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The Honorable Rosa DeLauro
Chair
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
H-307 The Capitol
Washington, D.C. 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger
Ranking Member
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
1036 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

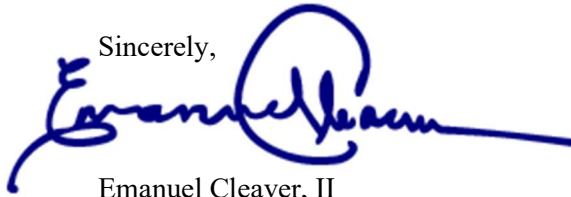
I am requesting funding for a Center for Recovery Health in fiscal year 2022.

The project sponsor is Truman Medical Center, located at 2301 Holmes Street, Kansas City, MO 64108.

The funding is designated for a state-of-the-art substance use treatment center in the heart of Kansas City's UMKC Health Sciences District. TMC will renovate an existing facility to accommodate a fully integrated substance use disorder practice. The Center for Recovery Health will provide new and existing patients with direct care such as psychiatric services and Medications for Addiction Treatment (MAT), as well as case management and peer recovery interventions to address psychosocial determinants of health. This facility will allow TMC to double its provider team, ensuring rapid access to high-quality care for a particularly vulnerable population. Further, it will provide the opportunity to implement new and emergent treatment modalities.

This project is a good use of taxpayer funds. Within Missouri, Jackson County ranks 5th and Kansas City ranks 7th in total number of drug overdose deaths. Individuals with substance use disorders are almost seven times more likely to commit a crime, and almost five times more likely to be incarcerated. This often leads to cycles of recidivism and poverty that destroy families and communities. TMC's current location was not designed to serve as an outpatient clinic. Waiting rooms, offices, and group rooms are undersized, and one addiction psychiatrist and one nurse practitioner cover 900 patients, many of whom have a high need acuity. Investment in this infrastructure project will help to improve the equitable delivery of high-quality care and sends a message of hope and respect to individuals living with substance use disorders.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Emanuel Cleaver, II
Member of Congress